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Margie Brown vs Bandb Automotive

On April 13 2023 Margie Brown called B&B automotive about replacing the engine in her 2012 lexus es 350. We called her back and told her it would be \$4200 to replace the engine with a used one with 62k miles. Miss brown stated that was good and would have the car towed to the shop. She asked if we could check to see if the engine was bad. I said I would, On April 14 miss brown called and asked if I had a chance to look at the car. I said I had and the engine was definitely bad. I informed her that I had ordered the engine and it would arrive within one week, Miss brown said thankyou. On may 15 miss brown was called and told the car was ready and that the radiator had to be replaced as well because it was leaking and that was the reason the engine had failed. She texted me on my cell phone and asked me what the total would be including the radiator. I told her \$4200 for the engine plus \$299 for the radiator and \$27.00 tax. She said thankyou, On may 19 I tried to call miss brown to see when she was going to pick up the car. She did not answer. I then texted her with no reply. I called miss brown again on may 31 , no answer. I called and texted on June 6 stating that if she did not call us I would charge storage and put a lien on the vehicle. She texted me back and stated in capital letters that she had lost her job and did not have all the money. I asked what do you suggest I do. No answer. I tried calling the lien holder , they said they did not want the car. On June 9 B&B automotive applied for a mechanics lien . On June 11 the plaintiff came to the shop and stated that she could not pay for the car, and said go ahead and sell the car. She asked if she could get her belongings from the car , I said she could. I informed her that we had applied for a mechanics lien so we could sell the car and recover our money. A few days later I was contacted by miss brown again . I told her we had an agreement. She said do do whatever you feel you need to do. She stated contact the florida dmv or Westlake auto seeing how they owned the car. I told her I was not trying to be difficult, I was just trying to get paid for the repairs. She said she understood. Ever since then she keeps texting my phone. I just want to be paid for the repairs.

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